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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 10, 2002.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-31 are pending.

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